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To: Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA) Directors
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From: Janet Sterling, Director
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Subject: Special Education Second Principal Apportionment, Fiscal Year 2002-2003

This letter provides information regarding the exhibits for the Special Education apportionments certified on July 2, 2003, including the 2002-2003 AB 602 and Infant (ages 0-2) Program Second Principal Apportionment, and the recertification of the 2001-2002 and 2000-2001 AB 602 and Infant Program Annual Apportionments. The Second Principal (P-2) Apportionment was certified on July 2, 2003, due to the enactment of SBX1 18 (Chapter 4, First Extraordinary Session, Statutes of 2003), which deferred the P-2 apportionment payment from June 2003 to July 2003 and continues this process in future years.

Second Principal Apportionment of 2002-2003

Average daily attendance (ADA) decreased 0.79 percent from the Recertification of the Special Education First Principal Apportionment of 2002-2003 (as recertified on March 19, 2003). These changes, plus the \$8.189 million in augmentation funding provided by the 2002 Budget Act (Chapter 379, Statutes of 2002), allow the deficiency in the base apportionment to decrease from 2.13 percent to 0.19 percent and allow full funding of all other 2002-2003 AB 602 entitlements.

Recertification of the 2001-2002 Annual Apportionment

Two notable changes affect the recertification of the 2001-2002 AB 602 Annual Apportionment (Annual R-1). ADA at Annual R-1 increased 0.04 percent from the 2001-2002 Annual Apportionment, causing the deficiency in the growth apportionment to increase from 7.43 percent to 8.74 percent. Recalculation of the supplemental equalization funding of \$48.9 million pursuant to *Education Code* 56836.159 increased the base ADA rates of the 74 lowest funded SELPAs to \$528.21.

Recertification of the 2000-2001 Annual Apportionment

All 2000-2001 AB 602 entitlements remain fully funded.

2002-2003 Infant (Ages 0-2) Program

A reallocation of units for multiple counties increased the 2002-2003 Infant Program entitlement by \$132,643 for a total of \$53.9 million.

2001-2002 Infant (Ages 0-2) Program

There were no changes to the 2001-2002 Infant Program entitlement of \$51.8 million.

2000-2001 Infant (Ages 0-2) Program

There were no changes to the 2000-2001 Infant Program entitlement of \$48.9 million.

Special Education Fiscal Services Unit Contact Information

The exhibits for the 2002-2003 Second Principal Apportionment may be obtained on our web site at http://www.cde.ca.gov/fiscal/special_ed. If you have questions regarding this certification, or the reconciliation and revision of data, please contact the staff listed below:

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